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# FOREWORD

*Crime in Montana* is an annual report prepared by the Criminal Justice Data Center of the Montana Board of Crime Control. It presents an overview of the nature and extent of crime in our state, and also includes a summary of index crimes referenced by the reporting law enforcement agency.

With our crime reporting program nine years old, we have achieved a level of reliability which enhances the utility of the data.

This publication would not be possible without the continuing support of the Montana criminal justice community, which voluntarily provides the source data.

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# INTRODUCTION

This report by the Criminal Justice Data Center contains the most complete and accurate information currently available about crime in Montana. It contains an extensive collection of facts along with detailed analyses of the prevalence of different crimes, crime trends and crime by law enforcement agency; in short, the nature, extent and location of crime in the state.

While this report addresses not only the informational needs of law enforcement agencies, planners, local government officials and legislators, it should afford citizens an opportunity to assess the state's crime situation.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA CENTER

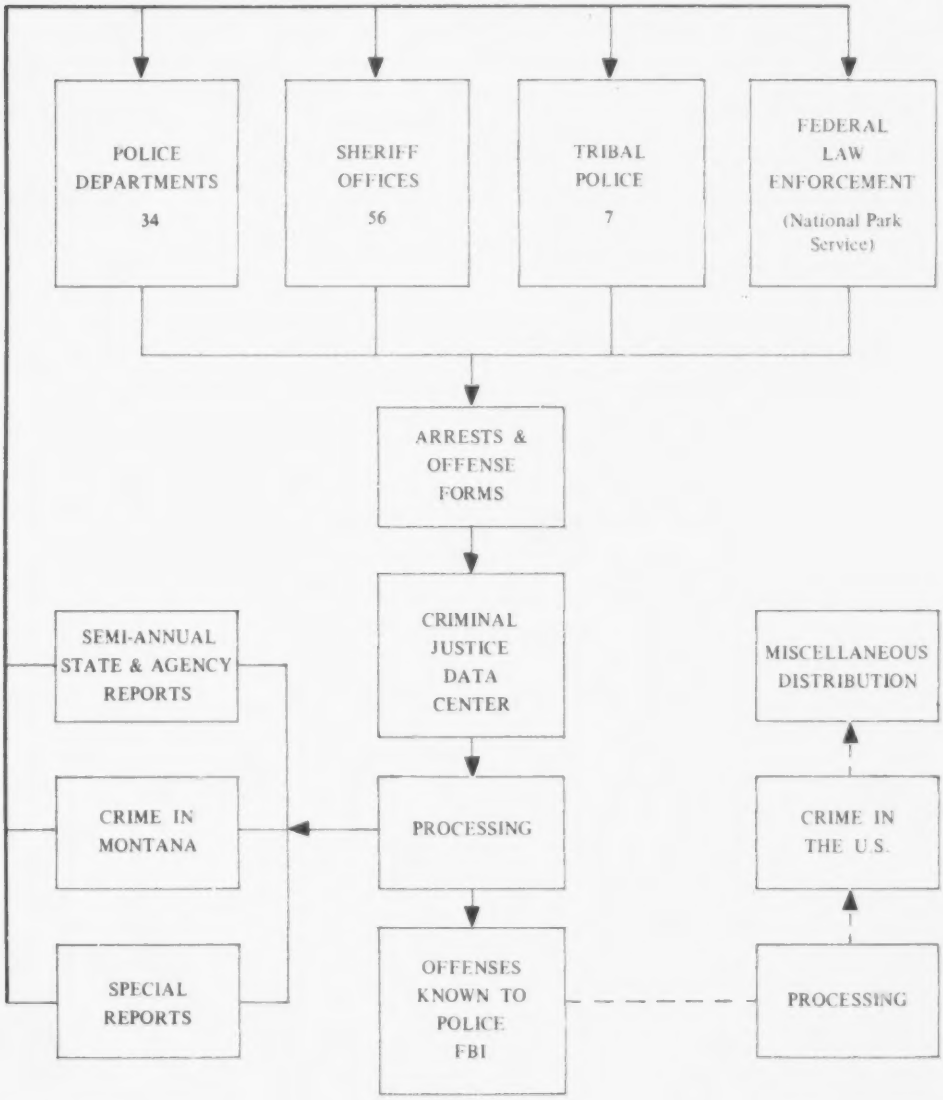
The major mission of the Montana Criminal Justice Data Center has been the development, implementation and maintenance of data collection systems to provide essential information both on crime as it occurs within the state and on the offenders who are apprehended and enter the criminal justice system, and a statistical analysis of criminal justice data. The Criminal Justice Data Center serves as a statewide clearinghouse for criminal justice information.

Criminal justice data is furnished to the Data Center by county law enforcement agencies, city police departments and government agencies such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the National Park Service. Although reporting is voluntary, nearly all law enforcement agencies participate, as shown on pages 21 through 29.

## MONTANA UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING PROGRAM

Montana became involved in the National Uniform Crime Reporting program in September, 1978, when the F.B.I. transferred the responsibility of data collection from its Uniform Crime Reporting Division to the Board of Crime Control's Data Center. This transfer has enhanced crime data collection by giving the state more control over the crime reporting and closer contact with local law enforcement.

Illustration 1.
MONTANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA CENTER
ARRESTS AND OFFENSES STATISTICS SYSTEM



The development of Montana's Uniform Crime Reporting program has encouraged law enforcement participation in record keeping, data collection, and data analysis and its use. The law enforcement agencies are wholly responsible for compiling and completing their own crime reports and submitting them to the Data Center. On a monthly basis, law enforcement agencies (as shown on the previous page) report the number of offenses that become known, property stolen by type, value and classification, age, sex and race of persons arrested, homicides, arsons and law enforcement officers killed or assaulted.

The Montana Uniform Crime Reporting program involves two distinct data systems: the Arrest Information System and the Offense Information System. The Arrest Information System compiles and summarizes felony and misdemeanor arrests by age, race and sex of the offender, time of day and the day, week and month on which the arrest occurred. The Offense Information System summarizes the type of crimes actually being committed and reported to law enforcement agencies.

Nearly all of the law enforcement agencies in the state participate by reporting the incidence of serious crimes and arrests on a monthly basis. A reporting summary and crime rate by contributor is included on pages 21 through 29. The reporting agencies include all 56 sheriff departments, seven tribal police departments, the National Park Service at Glacier Park, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and 34 local police departments. In addition, many small police departments and campus police units report to the sheriff departments in their counties and the data is forwarded to the Data Center. Several law enforcement agencies have combined during the year while others have elected to do their own jurisdictional crime reporting.

A particularly important service of the Montana Crime Reporting program is statistical feedback to contributors. Data is returned to them in the form of computerized summaries of offenses and arrests, showing crime by offense and arrest categories, clearances, volume of arrests and offenses — all of which is useful to departments in terms of resource distribution, identification of needs and problems, manpower deployment, budget allocations and public relations.

# CRIME IN MONTANA—1979

## CRIME FACTORS

The amount and type of crime reported in this section is based on offenses reported to the police and does not measure those offenses which the law enforcement community never becomes aware of. A considerable volume of crime is not reported to law enforcement agencies because the victims may consider the offenses against them of very little consequence, they believe there is very little the police can do about them, or they fear publicity of a police investigation or retaliation from offenders. Recent national victimization surveys indicate that the actual number of certain index offenses committed may be fully double the number that are made known to police.

A report on the number and types of crime alone doesn't tell the whole story of criminal activity within the state. Other factors which may influence the type and volume of crime are:

density and size of community
composition of the population with reference to age, race and sex
economic status of the population
stability of population such as seasonal workers and tourism
educational, recreational and religious characteristics
effective strength of the police force
policies of the prosecuting officials and the courts
attitude of the public toward law and law enforcement

## STATISTICAL METHOD OF REPORTING

Several statistical measurements are used to make the crime data more meaningful: *crime index, crime rate* and *crime seriousness*. These are discussed below.

## CRIME INDEX

The crime index has been used nationwide for many years as a standard for comparing the amount and extent of serious crime.

The index includes seven crimes divided into two groups. The sub-classification allows comparison and contrast of the groups.

| | |
|---|---|
| Violent Crimes ..... | Homicide |
| | Rape |
| | Robbery |
| | Assault |
| Property Crimes ..... | Burglary |
| | Larceny/Theft |
| | Motor Vehicle Theft |

These seven crimes are recognized as the most serious crimes in our society and the most likely to be reported to law enforcement. The numerous other felony and serious misdemeanor offenses are not included in the crime index but are included and reported on page 8, Illustration 3.

The crime index is only an indication of the amount and type of crime occurring in a jurisdiction. It is not an absolute measure. If multiple crimes were committed during an incident and reported, only the most serious is recorded in the index.

## CRIME RATE

One of the most commonly used statistical measurements is the crime rate, which calculates the number of incidents which occur for every 100,000 residents. The crime rate is useful in comparing the amount of crime in two areas with unequal populations.

The crime rate is calculated by dividing the total number of serious crimes (usually it is the seven major index crimes) by the population or estimated population and multiplying the answer by 100,000 as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Crimes}}{\text{Population of Law Enforcement Jurisdiction}} \times 100{,}000 = \text{Rate per } 100{,}000$$

According to the F.B.I. and Bureau of the Census, Montana's 1979 population is 786,000. This is the figure on which the crime rates are based in the following illustration.

Illustration 2.
1979 MONTANA INDEX OFFENSE CRIME RATES

| Violent Crimes | | | Property Crimes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Index Offenses | Number Of Offenses | Rate Per 100,000 Population | Index Offenses | Number Of Offenses | Rate Per 100,000 Population |
| Homicide | 41 | 5.2 | Burglary | 6,826 | 804.8 |
| Rape | 183 | 23.3 | Larceny/Theft | 24,304 | 3,092.1 |
| Robbery | 261 | 33.2 | Motor Vehicle Theft | 2,404 | 305.9 |
| Assault | 1,361 | 173.2 | | | |
| Total | 1,846 | 234.9 | Total | 33,034 | 4,202.8 |
| GRAND TOTAL | | | | 34,880 | 4,437.7 |

Comparison of the amount of crime and estimated population for the state shows a crime rate of 4,438. This means that 4,438 out of every 100,000 Montanans were victims of a major crime - or more simply:

4,438.0 crimes per 100,000 persons
444.0 crimes per 10,000 persons
44.0 crimes per 1,000 persons
4.4 crimes per 100 persons

Out of every 100 Montanans, 4.4 were victims of an index crime. In 1978, the level of victimization was 4.0 per 100 persons.

## CRIME INCIDENCE COMPARISON

A comparison of the number of crimes reported in 1979 to that reported in the previous year provides a measure of the fluctuation in criminal activity.

The number of index crimes increased this year after three continuous years of decrease. The total of 34,880 index crimes reported in 1979 is 3,634 greater than the 31,246 reported in the previous year. A comparison by index crime for 1978 and 1979 is shown in the following illustration with the percent of change in the column at the right.

Illustration 3.
CRIME INCIDENCE COMPARISON
1978-1979

| Offense | 1978 | 1979 | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| Homicide | 37 | 41 | 10.8 |
| Rape | 146 | 183 | 25.3 |
| Robbery | 259 | 261 | .8 |
| Aggravated Assault | 1,519 | 1,361 | -10.4 |
| Total Offenses Against Persons | 1,961 | 1,846 | - 5.9 |
| Burglary | 6,270 | 6,326 | .9 |
| Larceny/Theft | 20,563 | 24,304 | 19.7 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 2,452 | 2,404 | - 2.0 |
| Total Offenses Against Property | 29,285 | 33,034 | 12.8 |
| Total 7 Major Offenses | 31,246 | 34,880 | 11.6 |
| Negligent Manslaughter | 14 | 5 | -64.3 |
| Other Assaults | 1,232 | 1,797 | 45.9 |
| Arson | 136 | 174 | 27.9 |
| Forgery and Counterfeiting | 491 | 595 | 21.2 |
| Fraud | 1,336 | 1,674 | 25.3 |
| Embezzlement | 10 | 9 | -10.0 |
| Stolen Property | 191 | 408 | 113.6 |
| Vandalism | 9,442 | 11,332 | 20.0 |
| Weapons | 381 | 345 | - 9.5 |
| Prostitution | 12 | 22 | 83.3 |
| Sex Offenses | 303 | 308 | 1.7 |
| Drugs | 882 | 818 | - 7.3 |
| Gambling | 14 | 45 | 221.4 |
| Offenses Against Family | 1,003 | 525 | -47.7 |
| Total Other Offenses | 15,447 | 18,057 | 16.9 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 46,693 | 52,937 | 13.4 |

The major increase was in property crimes. Burglary and larceny/theft increased by .9 percent and 19.7 percent respectively. Overall, a 12.8 percent increase in property crime occurred in 1979.

While property crime increased 12.8 percent, reported violent crimes of rape and homicide also increased by 25.3 and 10.8 percent respectively. Aggravated assault recorded a 10.4 percent decrease, causing the whole volume of crimes against persons to decrease by 5.9%.

The volume increase in the larceny/theft crime category accounted for the general crime trend increase in all the seven major index offenses.

In addition, high volume increases are noted in non-index offenses of vandalism at 20 percent increase, and buying, selling, receiving stolen property at 113.6 percent increase.

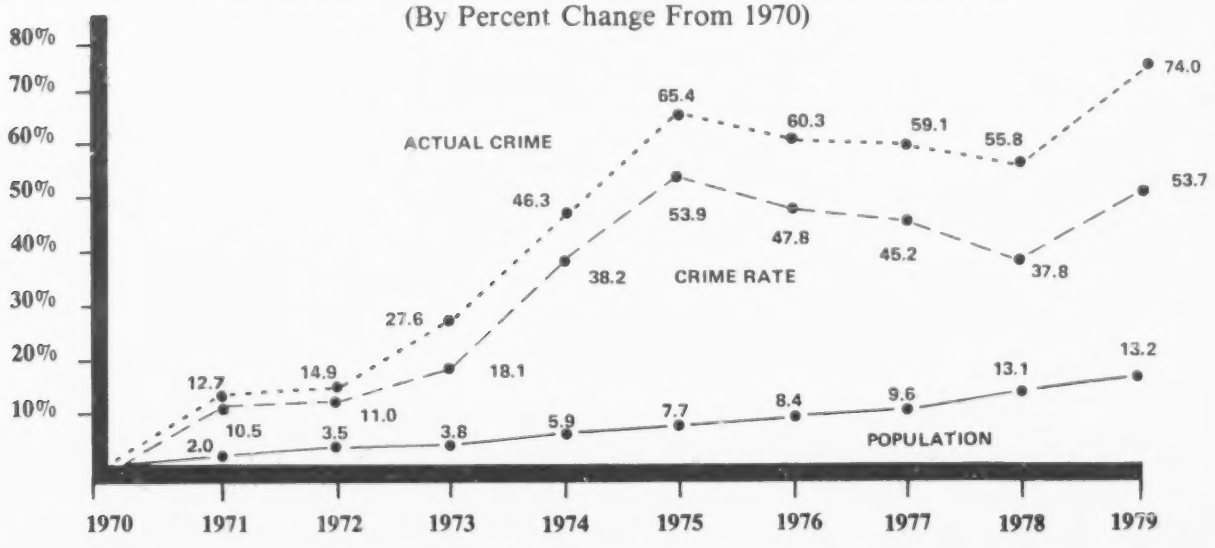
Illustration 3 on the previous page shows the specific changes in the seven major index crimes as well as the other felony and serious misdemeanor classifications.

## CRIME AND POPULATION

In order to demonstrate the crime trend and the population trend over a period of years, a percent change is calculated using 1970 as the base year. In 1970, Montana recorded 20,052 index crimes with a crime rate of 2,887.6 per 100,000 and a population of 694,409. The rapid increase in crime in the earlier years of this decade corresponds to very small increases in the state population. By 1979, the crime rate had increased 53.7 percent over 1970 while the state population had grown only 13.2 percent in that same period.

Illustration 4 indicates a leveling off and decrease in the overall crime picture from the 1975 peak through 1978; however, the 1979 increases are reflected in percentage changes which surpass the 1975 peak. The population trend shows a steady increase to an estimated 786,000 in 1979.

Illustration 4.
CRIME RATE AND POPULATION CHANGES — 1970-1979
(By Percent Change From 1970)



## CRIME OFFENSE PROFILE

The circle graph below shows the proportion of each index crime to the total of all the index crimes reported in 1979.

Three property crimes — burglary, larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft — account for 94.7 percent of all major crimes reported in 1979. Violent crimes of homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault accounted for 5.3 percent of the index offenses.

Illustration 5.
CRIME PROFILE - 1979

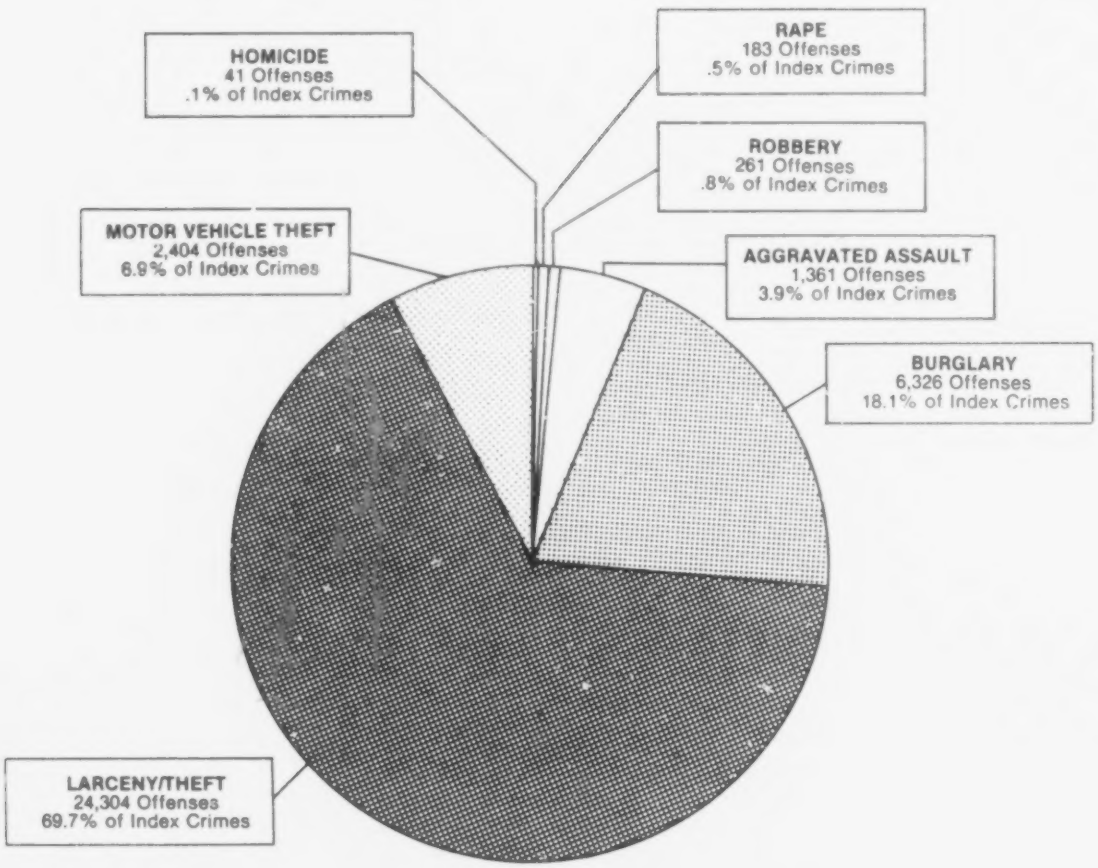
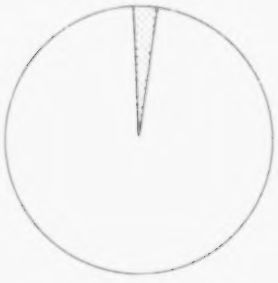


Illustration 6.

## CRIME CLOCKS - 1979

### INDEX CRIMES



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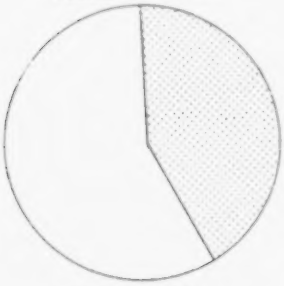
### VIOLENT CRIMES



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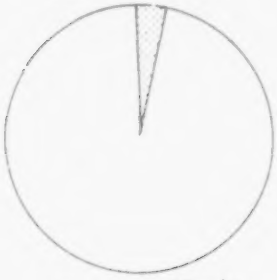
### PROPERTY CRIMES



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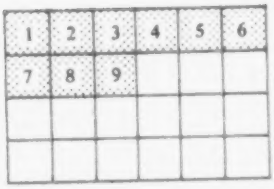


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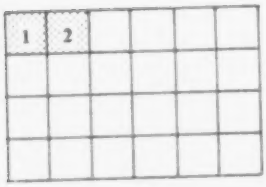
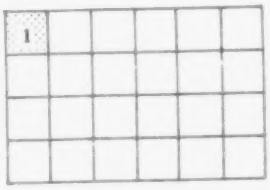
### RAPE



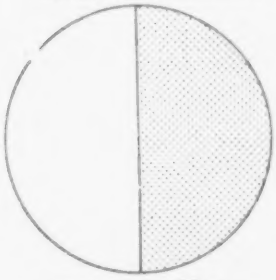

One every 2 days

### ROBBERY




One every day

### AGGRAVATED ASSAULT



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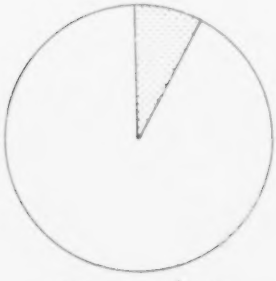
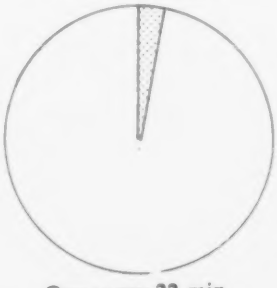
### BURGLARY



One every hour

### LARCENY/THEFT



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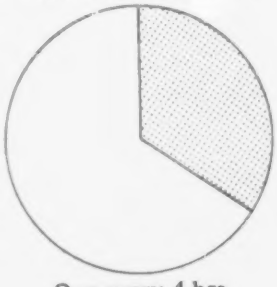
### MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT



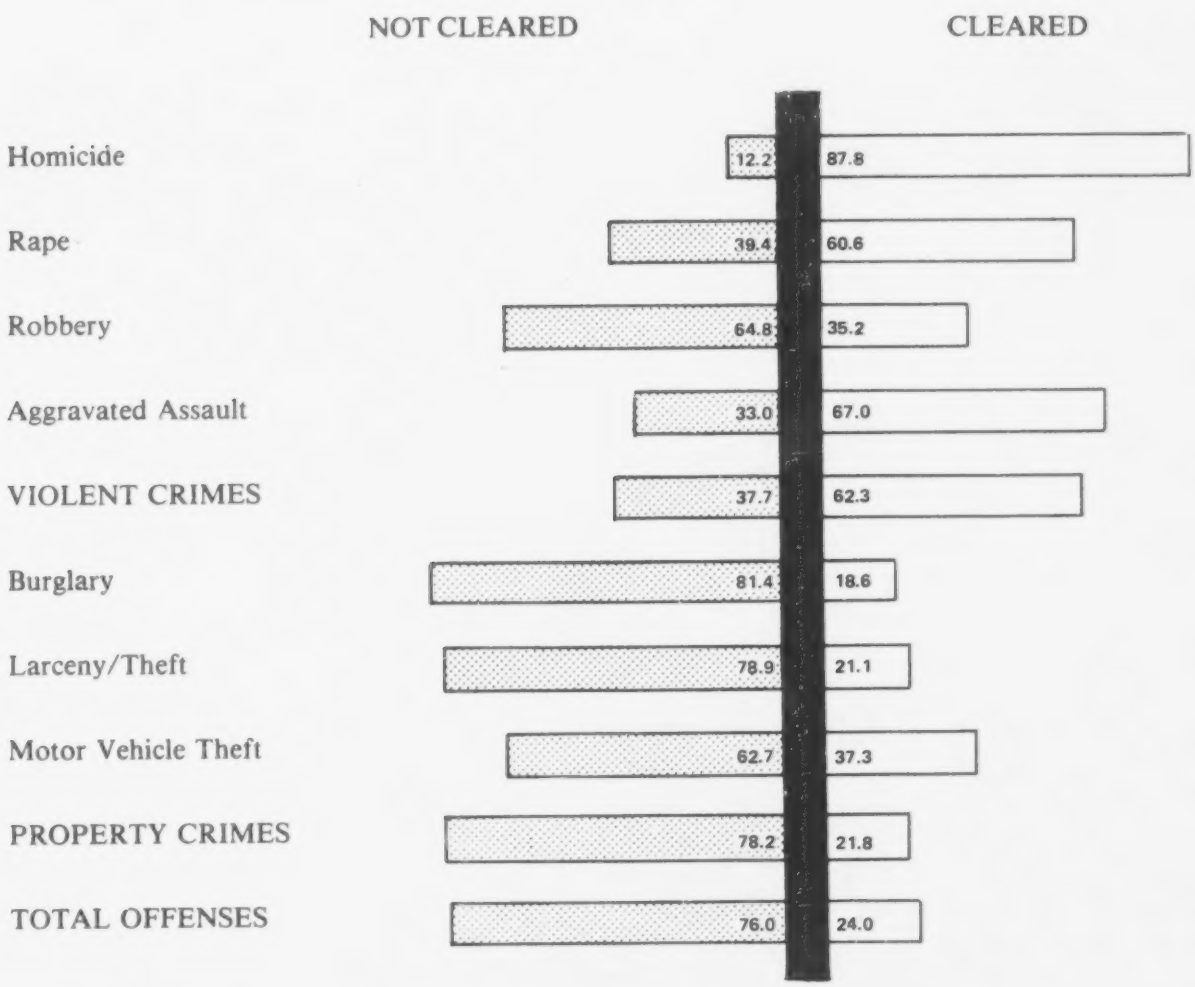
One every 4 hrs.

## CLEARANCES

An offense is considered cleared when a law enforcement agency has identified the offender and gathered sufficient evidence and filed a charge. The arrest of one person can clear several crimes or conversely, several persons may be arrested in the process of clearing one crime.

The following illustration shows the percent of offenses cleared by arrest. Note that property crimes — burglary, larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft — have the lowest percent of clearance, while violent crimes or crimes against persons have a higher percentage of clearance.

Illustration 7.
PERCENT OF OFFENSES CLEARED BY ARREST
1979



## CRIME BY COUNTY

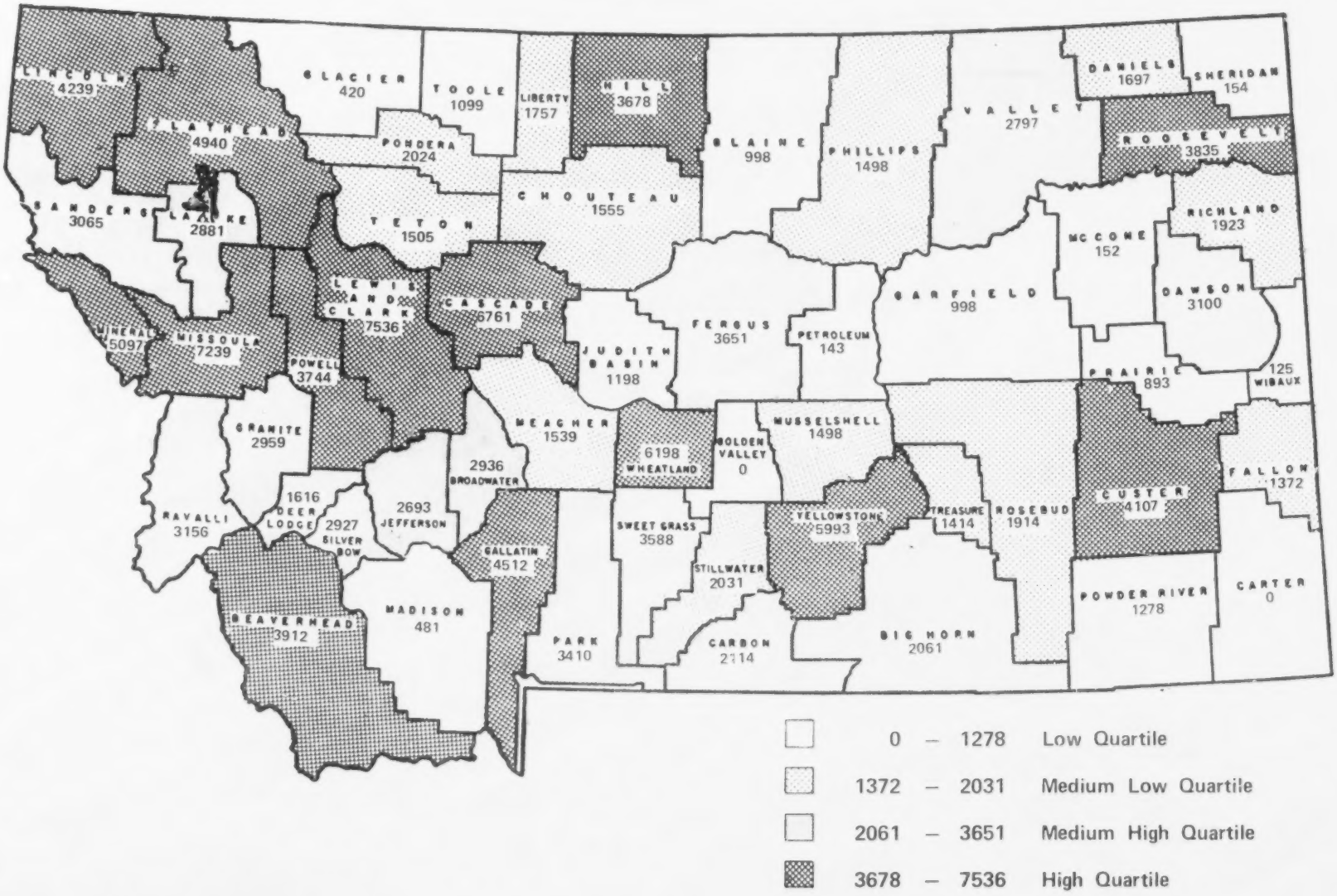
The crime rate for each county in Montana is listed below. Eight counties are above the statewide average of 4,437.7 crimes reported per 100,000. These eight counties contain 50.7 percent of the total state population and were the scene of 71.3 percent of known index crimes.

As shown on the map on the following page, the eight counties are not a geographical high-crime area; rather, they correspond to high population areas of the state. Only two of the eight counties, Wheatland and Mineral, have low populations. In such sparsely populated jurisdictions, any fluctuation in the number of crimes creates a major impact on the crime rate.

Illustration 8.
CRIME RATE BY COUNTY
1979 Ranking

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Lewis & Clark | 7536.3 | 29. | Stillwater | 2030.5 |
| 2. | Missoula | 7239.1 | 30. | Pondera | 2024.4 |
| 3. | Cascade | 6760.8 | 31. | Richland | 1922.7 |
| 4. | Wheatland | 6198.0 | 32. | Rosebud | 1914.4 |
| 5. | Yellowstone | 5992.5 | 33. | Liberty | 1757.2 |
| 6. | Mineral | 5097.2 | 34. | Daniels | 1697.2 |
| 7. | Flathead | 4939.8 | 35. | Deer Lodge | 1616.0 |
| 8. | Gallatin | 4512.4 | 36. | Chouteau | 1554.5 |
| STATE TOTAL | | 4437.7 | 37. | Meagher | 1539.1 |
| 9. | Lincoln | 4238.7 | 38. | Teton | 1505.0 |
| 10. | Custer | 4106.8 | 39. | Musselshell | 1497.5 |
| 11. | Beaverhead | 3912.2 | 40. | Phillips | 1497.5 |
| 12. | Roosevelt | 3834.7 | 41. | Treasure | 1414.3 |
| 13. | Powell | 3743.6 | 42. | Fallon | 1372.6 |
| 14. | Hill | 3678.2 | 43. | Powder River | 1278.0 |
| 15. | Fergus | 3650.7 | 44. | Judith Basin | 1198.0 |
| 16. | Sweet Grass | 3588.1 | 45. | Toole | 1098.8 |
| 17. | Park | 3409.6 | 46. | Blaine | 998.4 |
| 18. | Ravalli | 3155.9 | 47. | Garfield | 998.3 |
| 19. | Dawson | 3100.1 | 48. | Prairie | 893.3 |
| 20. | Sanders | 3065.4 | 49. | Madison | 480.8 |
| 21. | Granite | 2959.0 | 50. | Glacier | 420.4 |
| 22. | Broadwater | 2936.0 | 51. | Sheridan | 153.6 |
| 23. | Silver Bow | 2927.3 | 52. | McCone | 152.3 |
| 24. | Lake | 2880.5 | 53. | Petroleum | 142.7 |
| 25. | Valley | 2797.0 | 54. | Wibaux | 124.8 |
| 26. | Jefferson | 2692.8 | 55. | Carter | 0 |
| 27. | Carbon | 2114.2 | 56. | Golden Valley | 0 |
| 28. | Big Horn | 2061.4 | | | |

Illustration 9.
CRIME RATE PER 100,000 POPULATION - 1979
OFFENSES KNOWN TO POLICE

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## Illustration 10a.
## CRIME INDEX REPORT
STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1979, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1979

Population or Estimate: 786,000 Sq. Mi.: 146,869 Population Density: 5.4

| OFFENSE CLASSIFICATION | Number Of Actual Offenses | Crime Index Per 100,000 Population | Offense Occurs Every | Number Cleared By Arrest | Percent Cleared By Arrest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter | 41 | 5.2 | 9 DA | 36 | 87.8 |
| Forcible Rape | 183 | 23.3 | 2 DA | 111 | 60.6 |
| Robbery | 261 | 33.2 | 1 DA | 92 | 35.2 |
| Aggravated Assault | 1,361 | 173.2 | 6 HR | 912 | 67.0 |
| TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS | 1,846 * | 234.9 * | 5 HR * | 1,151 * | 62.3 * |
| Burglary | 6,326 | 804.8 | 1 HR | 1,180 | 18.6 |
| Larceny/Theft | 24,304 | 3,092.1 | 22 MIN | 5,147 | 21.1 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 2,404 | 305.9 | 4 HR | 899 | 37.3 |
| TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY | 33,034 * | 4,202.8 * | 16 MIN * | 7,226 * | 21.8 * |
| TOTAL SEVEN MAJOR OFFENSES | 34,880 * | 4,437.7 * | 15 MIN * | 8,377 * | 24.0 * |
| Manslaughter by Negligence | 5 | .6 | 2 MO | 4 | 80.0 |
| Other Assaults - Simple - Not Aggravated | 1,797 | 228.6 | 5 HR | 1,021 | 56.8 |
| Arson | 174 | 22.1 | 2 DA | 67 | 38.5 |
| Forgery and Counterfeiting | 595 | 75.7 | 15 HR | 252 | 42.3 |
| Fraud | 1,674 | 213.0 | 5 HR | 671 | 40.0 |
| Embezzlement | 9 | 1.1 | 1 MO | 5 | 55.5 |
| Stolen Property: Buying, Receiving, Possessing | 408 | 51.9 | 21 HR | 174 | 42.6 |
| Vandalism | 11,332 | 1,441.7 | 46 MIN | 1,402 | 12.3 |
| Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc. | 345 | 43.9 | 1 DA | 196 | 56.8 |
| Prostitution and Commercialized Vice | 22 | 2.8 | 17 DA | 19 | 86.3 |
| Sex Offenses | 308 | 39.2 | 1 DA | 115 | 37.3 |
| Narcotic Drug Laws | 818 | 104.1 | 11 HR | 716 | 87.5 |
| Gambling | 45 | 5.7 | 8 DA | 38 | 84.4 |
| Offenses Against Family and Children | 525 | 66.8 | 17 HR | 343 | 65.3 |
| TOTAL OTHER OFFENSES | 18,057 * | 2,297.3 * | 29 MIN * | 5,023 * | 27.8 * |
| GRAND TOTAL | 52,937 * | 6,735.0 * | 10 MIN * | 13,400 * | 25.3 * |

*Indicates sub-totals and totals.

## Illustration 10b.
## OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE
STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1979, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1979

| CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES | Offenses Reported Or Known By Police | Unfounded Offenses | Actual Offenses | Number of Offenses Cleared: Cleared By Arrest | Number of Offenses Cleared: Cleared By Arrest Under 18 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Criminal Homicide | 47 * | 1 * | 46 * | 40 * | 1 * |
| Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter | 42 | 1 | 41 | 36 | 1 |
| † Manslaughter By Negligence | 5 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 0 |
| Forcible Rape | 211 * | 28 * | 183 * | 111 * | 12 * |
| Rape By Force | 150 | 24 | 126 | 83 | 8 |
| Attempts To Commit Forcible Rape | 61 | 4 | 57 | 28 | 4 |
| Robbery | 275 * | 14 * | 261 * | 92 * | 11 * |
| Firearm | 121 | 3 | 118 | 48 | 9 |
| Knife Or Cutting Instrument | 33 | 1 | 32 | 10 | 0 |
| Other Dangerous Weapon | 18 | 0 | 18 | 4 | 0 |
| Strong-Arm: Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc. | 103 | 10 | 93 | 30 | 2 |
| Assault | 3,256 * | 98 * | 3,158 * | 1,933 * | 257 * |
| Firearm | 281 | 10 | 271 | 192 | 11 |
| Knife Or Cutting Instrument | 197 | 8 | 189 | 124 | 20 |
| Other Dangerous Weapon | 246 | 7 | 239 | 164 | 16 |
| Hands, Fists, Feet, Etc.-Aggravated Injury | 687 | 25 | 662 | 432 | 59 |
| † Other Assaults - Simple - Not Aggravated | 1,845 | 48 | 1,797 | 1,021 | 151 |
| TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS | 3,789 * | 141 * | 3,648 * | 2,176 * | 281 * |
| Burglary | 6,683 * | 357 * | 6,326 * | 1,180 * | 527 * |
| Forcible Entry | 4,311 | 239 | 4,072 | 858 | 364 |
| Unlawful Entry - No Force | 1,863 | 80 | 1,783 | 285 | 144 |
| Attempted Forcible Entry | 509 | 38 | 471 | 37 | 19 |
| Larceny/Theft | 24,953 * | 649 * | 24,304 * | 5,147 * | 1,927 * |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 2,728 * | 324 * | 2,404 * | 899 * | 265 * |
| Autos | 1,648 | 216 | 1,432 | 568 | 167 |
| Trucks and Buses | 662 | 86 | 576 | 211 | 53 |
| Other Vehicles | 418 | 22 | 396 | 120 | 45 |
| TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY | 34,364 * | 1,330 * | 33,034 * | 7,226 * | 2,719 * |
| TOTAL OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS & PROPERTY | 38,153 * | 1,471 * | 36,682 * | 9,402 * | 3,000 * |

†Not Included in the UCR 7 major offenses. *Indicates sub-totals and totals.

## Illustration 10b. (Con't.)
## OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE
STATE SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1, 1979, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1979

| CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES | Offenses Reported Or Known By Police | Unfounded Offenses | Actual Offenses | Number of Offenses Cleared | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Cleared By Arrest | By Arrest Under 18 |
| Arson | 177 * | 3 * | 174 * | 67 * | 37 * |
| Forgery and Counterfeiting | 603 * | 8 * | 595 * | 252 * | 37 * |
| Fraud | 1,692 * | 18 * | 1,674 * | 671 * | 39 * |
| Embezzlement | 9 * | 0 * | 9 * | 5 * | 0 * |
| Stolen Property: Buying, Receiving, Possessing | 410 * | 2 * | 408 * | 174 * | 76 * |
| Vandalism | 11,471 * | 139 * | 11,332 * | 1,402 * | 545 * |
| Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc. | 352 * | 7 * | 345 * | 196 * | 28 * |
| Prostitution and Commercialized Vice | 25 * | 3 * | 22 * | 19 * | 4 * |
| Sex Offenses | 322 * | 14 * | 308 * | 115 * | 23 * |
| Narcotic Drug Laws | 840 * | 22 * | 818 * | 716 * | 226 * |
| Opiates | 26 | 0 | 26 | 25 | 3 |
| Marijuana | 691 | 11 | 680 | 607 | 210 |
| Dangerous Drugs | 64 | 3 | 61 | 49 | 6 |
| Other | 59 | 8 | 51 | 35 | 7 |
| Gambling | 52 * | 7 * | 45 * | 38 * | 13 * |
| Offenses Against Family and Children | 554 * | 29 * | 525 * | 343 * | 91 * |
| TOTAL OTHER OFFENSES | 16,507 * | 252 * | 16,255 * | 3,998 * | 1,169 * |
| GRAND TOTAL | 54,660 * | 1,723 * | 52,937 * | 13,400 * | 4,169 * |

*Indicates sub-totals and totals.

## OFFENSE SUMMARY

* For the first time in three years, the index for seven major crimes has increased. Offenses against property increased 12.8 percent while offenses against persons decreased 5.9 percent.

* Crimes against property accounted for 94.7 percent of all reported offenses.

* Crimes against persons accounted for 5.3 percent of all reported offenses.

* An index of crime occurs every 15 minutes with a property crime occurring every 16 minutes. Violent crime occurs every 5 hours.

* From 1970 through 1979, the number of crimes increased 74 percent while the estimated population increased only 13.2 percent.

* Crime rates relate the incidence of crime to population. The crime rate can be considered a victim risk rate because it demonstrates the risk of becoming a crime victim. Thus, of every 100 Montanans, 4.4 were victims of an index crime and 6.7 were victims of an index crime and serious crime combined.

* Of the 34,880 major offenses known, only one of every four was cleared, either by arrest or exceptional means.

# CRIME PROJECTION

## STATISTICAL METHOD

The number of recorded index offenses in Montana has increased from 20,025 in 1970 to 34,800 in 1979. This change indicates a 74 percent increase. Much of this increase can be attributed to better and more sophisticated reporting methods by the law enforcement agencies. In addition, the increased population also has an influence on the number of crimes.

The illustration on the following page shows the trend increases and decreases in crime from 1970 as well as a projection to 1983 based on previous years.

Two methods are used in developing the crime projection. The first, a straight-line method, uses the average yearly increase of 6.6 percent for a nine-year period from 1970 to 1979. This increment, accumulated each year, indicates that crimes will reach 45,036 in 1983.

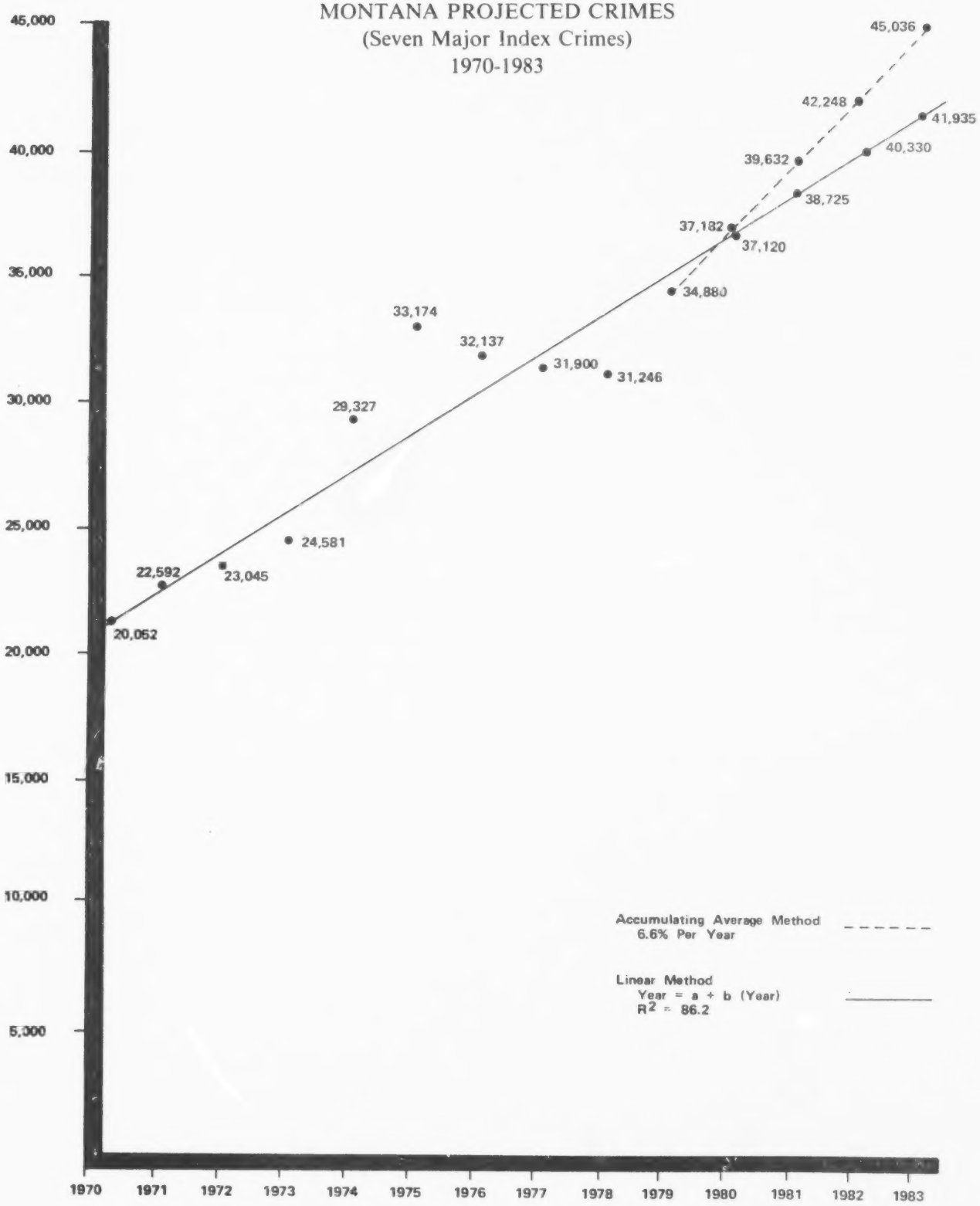
The second projection method, linear least squares regression, plots on the illustration the number of crimes for the nine-year period. Using the regression formula, $y = a + bx$, a line is then projected to 1983. By this method, the number of crimes is projected to be 41,935 in 1983.

A summary of the two projection methods is shown as follows:

| | Actual Crimes in 1979 | Projected Crimes 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Accumulation Average Method | 34,880 | 37,182 | 39,632 | 42,248 | 45,036 |
| Linear Regression Method | | 37,120 | 38,725 | 40,330 | 41,935 |

It is important to note that the projections are not point estimations but rather trend estimates. Thus, it is predictable that Montana can anticipate crimes in 1983 to be between 45,036 and 41,935 if present trends continue.

Illustration 11.
MONTANA PROJECTED CRIMES
(Seven Major Index Crimes)
1970-1983



# MONTANA INDEX CRIMES BY CONTRIBUTOR

This section is a summary of offenses reported to each law enforcement agency. Several crime rates may appear to be extreme for some jurisdictions; however, this is because in communities with low populations, any fluctuation in the number of crimes creates a major impact on the crime rate.

The population estimates are provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the Bureau of Census. This estimate is the best available but may be somewhat tenuous as actual population figures from the 1980 census will soon be available.

| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BEAVERHEAD COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 4,132 | 1,718.3 | 71 | 2 | 1 | | 4 | 2 | 58 | 4 |
| Dillon | 12 | 4,482 | 5,934.9 | 266 | | 3 | 2 | 9 | 27 | 210 | 15 |
| TOTAL | | 8,614 | 3,912.2 | 337 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 13 | 29 | 268 | 19 |
| BIG HORN COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,858 | 2,372.8 | 139 | | 1 | 1 | 22 | 42 | 53 | 20 |
| Crow Tribe | A | 4,960 | 1,693.5 | 84 | | 2 | | 21 | 24 | 37 | |
| TOTAL | | 10,818 | 2,061.4 | 223 | | 3 | 1 | 43 | 66 | 90 | 20 |
| BLAINE COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 4,409 | 521.7 | 23 | | | | 7 | 3 | 4 | 9 |
| Ft. Belknap | A | 1,770 | 2,259.9 | 40 | 1 | 2 | | 11 | 19 | 7 | |
| Harlem | 12 | 1,333 | 900.2 | 12 | | | | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| TOTAL | | 7,512 | 998.4 | 75 | 1 | 2 | | 21 | 27 | 13 | 11 |
| BROADWATER COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,406 | 2,936.0 | 100 | | | | 6 | 21 | 65 | 8 |
| TOTAL | | 3,406 | 2,936.0 | 100 | | | | 6 | 21 | 65 | 8 |
| CARBON COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 6,459 | 1,625.6 | 105 | | | | 4 | 46 | 51 | 4 |
| Red Lodge | 12 | 2,055 | 3,649.6 | 75 | | | | 3 | 23 | 42 | 7 |
| TOTAL | | 8,514 | 2,114.2 | 180 | | | | 7 | 69 | 93 | 11 |
| CARTER COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 0 | 1,903 | | 0 | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | 1,903 | | 0 | | | | | | | |
| CASCADE COUNTY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 23,876 | 1,109.9 | 265 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 19 | 95 | 113 | 28 |
| Great Falls | 12 | 61,935 | 8,969.1 | 5,555 | 1 | 10 | 60 | 166 | 1,126 | 3,741 | 451 |
| Cascade City | 5 | 732 | 4,235.0 | 31 | | | | 7 | 4 | 18 | 2 |
| TOTAL | | 86,543 | 6,760.8 | 5,851 | 2 | 18 | 61 | 192 | 1,225 | 3,872 | 481 |

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| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CHOUTEAU COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,120 | 1,816.4 | 93 | | | | 7 | 28 | 48 | 10 |
| Fort Benton | 6 | 1,892 | 845.7 | 16 | | | | | 7 | 9 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **7,012** | **1,554.5** | **109** | | | | **7** | **35** | **57** | **10** |
| **CUSTER COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,274 | 2,290.8 | 75 | | | 2 | 3 | 15 | 46 | 9 |
| Miles City | 12 | 9,948 | 4,704.5 | 468 | | | 3 | 2 | 74 | 348 | 41 |
| **TOTAL** | | **13,222** | **4,106.8** | **543** | | | 5 | 5 | **89** | **394** | **50** |
| **DANIELS COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,005 | 1,697.2 | 51 | | | | | 12 | 37 | 2 |
| **TOTAL** | | **3,005** | **1,697.2** | **51** | | | | | **12** | **37** | **2** |
| **DAWSON COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,380 | 2,081.8 | 112 | | | | 1 | 25 | 85 | 1 |
| Glendive | 12 | 6,039 | 4,007.3 | 242 | | | | 12 | 42 | 170 | 18 |
| **TOTAL** | | **11,419** | **3,100.1** | **354** | | | | **13** | **67** | 255 | **19** |
| **DEER LODGE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 13,923 | 1,616.0 | 225 | | | | 3 | 51 | 163 | 8 |
| **TOTAL** | | **13,923** | **1,616.0** | **225** | | | | **3** | **51** | **163** | **8** |
| **FALLON COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 1,301 | 691.8 | 9 | | | | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 |
| Baker | 12 | 2,706 | 1,699.9 | 46 | | | | 1 | 13 | 25 | 7 |
| **TOTAL** | | **4,007** | **1,372.6** | 55 | | | | 2 | **14** | **31** | **8** |
| **FERGUS COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 6,521 | 2,238.9 | 146 | 1 | 1 | | 10 | 16 | 106 | 12 |
| Lewistown | 12 | 6,901 | 4,984.8 | 344 | | 2 | | 40 | 49 | 238 | 15 |
| **TOTAL** | | **13,422** | **3,650.7** | **490** | **1** | **3** | | **50** | **65** | **344** | **27** |

| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIB-UTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **FLATHEAD COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 27,037 | 4,482.7 | 1212 | 1 | 16 | 3 | 40 | 320 | 741 | 91 |
| Columbia Falls | 12 | 3,207 | 4,271.9 | 137 | 1 | | 2 | 6 | 14 | 108 | 6 |
| Kalispell | 12 | 16,067 | 5,259.2 | 845 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 32 | 118 | 636 | 53 |
| Whitefish | 12 | 3,772 | 7,423.1 | 280 | | 1 | 1 | 19 | 29 | 201 | 29 |
| **TOTAL** | | **50,083** | **4,939.8** | **2474** | **4** | **19** | **8** | **97** | **481** | **1,686** | **179** |
| **GALLATIN COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 18,608 | 1,703.6 | 317 | | | 1 | 17 | 60 | 216 | 23 |
| Bozeman | 12 | 20,848 | 6,552.2 | 1366 | | 4 | 3 | 21 | 169 | 1,078 | 91 |
| West Yellowstone | 12 | 811 | 16,522.8 | 134 | | | 1 | 6 | 17 | 100 | 10 |
| **TOTAL** | | **40,267** | **4,512.4** | **1817** | | **4** | **5** | **44** | **246** | **1,394** | **124** |
| **GARFIELD COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 1,803 | 998.3 | 18 | 1 | | | | 2 | 12 | 3 |
| **TOTAL** | | **1,803** | **998.3** | **18** | **1** | | | | **2** | **12** | **3** |
| **GLACIER COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 0 | 1,282 | | 0 | | | | | | | |
| Blackfeet Tribe | A | 6,272 | 765.3 | 48 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 18 | 18 | |
| Cut Bank | 0 | 1,282 | | 0 | | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL** | | **11,419** | **420.4** | **48** | **2** | **2** | **2** | **6** | **18** | **18** | |
| **GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 0 | 1,002 | | 0 | | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL** | | **1,002** | | **0** | | | | | | | |
| **GRANITE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,805 | 2,959.0 | 83 | | | 1 | 9 | 25 | 47 | 1 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,805** | **2,959.0** | **83** | | | **1** | **9** | **25** | **47** | **1** |
| **HILL COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 6,302 | 2,269.1 | 143 | | | | 15 | 35 | 88 | 5 |
| Rocky Boy Tribe | A | 1,873 | 1,868.7 | 35 | | 6 | | 4 | 7 | 18 | |
| Havre | 12 | 10,856 | 4,808.4 | 522 | | 2 | 1 | 42 | 39 | 383 | 55 |
| **TOTAL** | | **19,031** | **3,678.2** | **700** | | **8** | **1** | **61** | **81** | **489** | **60** |

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| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **JEFFERSON COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 7,613 | 2,692.8 | 205 | | 2 | 2 | 14 | 36 | 130 | 21 |
| **TOTAL** | | **7,613** | **2,692.8** | **205** | | **2** | **2** | **14** | **36** | **130** | **21** |
| **JUDITH BASIN COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,005 | 1,198.0 | 36 | | | | | 11 | 25 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **3,005** | **1,198.0** | **36** | | | | | **11** | **25** | |
| **LAKE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 12,531 | 2,386.1 | 299 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 94 | 174 | 17 |
| St. Ignatius | 8 | 983 | 2,950.2 | 29 | | 1 | | 6 | 12 | 8 | 2 |
| Flathead Tribe | A | 3,325 | 1,894.7 | 63 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 16 | 36 | |
| Ronan | 12 | 1,491 | 9,188.5 | 137 | | | 1 | 4 | 37 | 86 | 9 |
| **TOTAL** | | **18,330** | **2,880.5** | **528** | **4** | **5** | **5** | **23** | **159** | **304** | **28** |
| **LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 9,919 | 5,766.7 | 572 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 20 | 122 | 378 | 45 |
| East Helena | 12 | 2,260 | 3,141.6 | 71 | | | | 2 | 23 | 41 | 5 |
| Helena | 12 | 28,889 | 8,487.7 | 2,452 | | 11 | 23 | 49 | 372 | 1,864 | 133 |
| **TOTAL** | | **41,068** | **7,536.3** | **3,095** | **1** | **15** | **25** | **71** | **517** | **2,283** | **183** |
| **LIBERTY COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,504 | 1,757.2 | 44 | | | | 3 | 5 | 32 | 4 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,504** | **1,757.2** | **44** | | | | **3** | **5** | **32** | **4** |
| **LINCOLN COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 14,152 | 3,335.2 | 472 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 23 | 105 | 295 | 37 |
| Libby | 12 | 2,976 | 8,534.9 | 254 | | 1 | | 6 | 37 | 204 | 6 |
| **TOTAL** | | **17,128** | **4,238.7** | **726** | **2** | **8** | **3** | **29** | **142** | **499** | **43** |
| **MCCONE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,704 | 480.8 | 13 | | | | 1 | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,704** | **480.8** | **13** | | | | **1** | **6** | **5** | **1** |
| **MADISON COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 2 | 5,910 | 152.3 | 9 | | | | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2 |
| **TOTAL** | | **5,910** | **152.3** | **9** | | | | **1** | **1** | **5** | **2** |

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| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **MEAGHER COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,404 | 1,539.1 | 37 | | | | | 13 | 21 | 3 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,404** | **1,539.1** | **37** | | | | | **13** | **21** | **3** |
| **MINERAL COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,806 | 5,097.2 | 194 | | 2 | 2 | 10 | 29 | 140 | 11 |
| **TOTAL** | | **3,806** | **5,097.2** | **194** | | **2** | **2** | **10** | **29** | **140** | **11** |
| **MISSOULA COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 39,819 | 3,121.6 | 1,243 | | 7 | 6 | 101 | 203 | 846 | 80 |
| Missoula | 12 | 29,996 | 12,705.0 | 3,811 | | 16 | 27 | 76 | 371 | 3,160 | 161 |
| **TOTAL** | | **69,815** | **7,239.1** | **5,054** | | **23** | **33** | **177** | **574** | **4,006** | **241** |
| **MUSSELSHELL COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 4,808 | 1,497.5 | 72 | 2 | | | | 22 | 43 | 5 |
| **TOTAL** | | **4,808** | **1,497.5** | **72** | **2** | | | | **22** | **43** | **5** |
| **PARK COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,737 | 3,259.5 | 187 | | | | 8 | 42 | 128 | 9 |
| Livingston | 12 | 7,285 | 3,527.8 | 257 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 66 | 163 | 23 |
| **TOTAL** | | **13,022** | **3,409.6** | **444** | | **2** | **2** | **9** | **108** | **291** | **32** |
| **PETROLEUM COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 4 | 701 | 142.7 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **701** | **142.7** | **1** | | | | | | **1** | |
| **PHILLIPS COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,155 | 2,345.5 | 74 | | 1 | | 3 | 20 | 45 | 5 |
| Malta | 12 | 2,254 | 310.6 | 7 | | | | | 3 | 3 | 1 |
| **TOTAL** | | **5,409** | **1,497.5** | **81** | | **1** | | **3** | **23** | **48** | **6** |
| **PONDERA COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,360 | 3,220.3 | 76 | | | | 3 | 11 | 55 | 7 |
| Conrad | 12 | 4,082 | 1,567.9 | 64 | | | | | 3 | 55 | 6 |
| Valier | 9 | 770 | 779.2 | 6 | | | | | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| **TOTAL** | | **7,212** | **2,024.4** | **146** | | | | **3** | **15** | **113** | **15** |

| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIB-UTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **POWDER RIVER COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,504 | 1,278.0 | 32 | | | | 3 | 5 | 20 | 4 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,504** | **1,278.0** | **32** | | | | **3** | **5** | **20** | **4** |
| **POWELL COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Deer Lodge-Powell County | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Combined | 12 | 7,613 | 3,743.6 | 285 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 41 | 221 | 8 |
| **TOTAL** | | **7,613** | **3,743.6** | **285** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **12** | **41** | **221** | **8** |
| **PRAIRIE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 1,903 | 893.3 | 17 | | 1 | | 1 | 11 | 3 | 1 |
| **TOTAL** | | **1,903** | **893.3** | **17** | | **1** | | **1** | **11** | **3** | **1** |
| **RAVALLI COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 16,525 | 2,124.1 | 351 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 22 | 73 | 217 | 35 |
| Stevensville | 11 | 1,236 | 4,126.2 | 51 | | 1 | | 2 | 9 | 35 | 4 |
| Hamilton | 12 | 3,374 | 7,854.2 | 265 | | | | 17 | 23 | 215 | 10 |
| **TOTAL** | | **21,135** | **3,155.9** | **667** | **1** | **2** | **2** | **41** | **105** | **467** | **49** |
| **RICHLAND COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 6 | 5,750 | 278.3 | 16 | | | | 1 | | 12 | 3 |
| Sidney | 12 | 5,068 | 3,788.5 | 192 | 1 | 1 | | 13 | 34 | 114 | 29 |
| **TOTAL** | | **10,818** | **1,922.7** | **208** | **1** | **1** | | **14** | **34** | **126** | **32** |
| **ROOSEVELT COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 4,035 | 5,526.6 | 223 | 2 | 2 | | 8 | 47 | 134 | 30 |
| Fort Peck Tribe | A | 5,131 | 2,065.9 | 106 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 10 | 25 | 61 | |
| Poplar | 12 | 1,552 | 5,283.5 | 82 | | 1 | | 2 | 43 | 33 | 3 |
| **TOTAL** | | **10,718** | **3,834.7** | **411** | **4** | **10** | **1** | **20** | **115** | **228** | **33** |
| **ROSEBUD COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 6,564 | 2,102.4 | 138 | 1 | 2 | | 10 | 12 | 99 | 14 |
| Northern Cheyenne | A | 3,152 | 1,522.8 | 48 | 2 | 6 | | 18 | 14 | 8 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **9,716** | **1,914.4** | **186** | **3** | **8** | | **28** | **26** | **107** | **14** |
| **SANDERS COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 8,514 | 3,065.5 | 261 | 1 | | 2 | 21 | 47 | 176 | 14 |
| **TOTAL** | | **8,514** | **3,065.5** | **261** | **1** | | **2** | **21** | **47** | **176** | **14** |

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| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **SHERIDAN COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,209 | 153.6 | 8 | | | | | 6 | 2 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **5,209** | **153.6** | **8** | | | | | **6** | **2** | |
| **SILVER BOW COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butte-Silver Bow Consolidation | 12 | 39,866 | 2,927.3 | 1,167 | | 7 | 11 | 62 | 195 | 795 | 97 |
| **TOTAL** | | **39,866** | **2,927.3** | **1,167** | | **7** | **11** | **62** | **195** | **795** | **97** |
| **STILLWATER COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,910 | 2,030.5 | 120 | | 1 | 2 | 8 | 21 | 84 | 4 |
| **TOTAL** | | **5,910** | **2,030.5** | **120** | | **1** | **2** | **8** | **21** | **84** | **4** |
| **SWEET GRASS COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 3,205 | 3,588.1 | 115 | | | 1 | 7 | 19 | 88 | |
| **TOTAL** | | **3,205** | **3,588.1** | **115** | | | **1** | **7** | **19** | **88** | |
| **TETON COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 6,711 | 1,505.0 | 101 | | | 1 | 3 | 26 | 64 | 7 |
| **TOTAL** | | **6,711** | **1,505.0** | **101** | | | **1** | **3** | **26** | **64** | **7** |
| **TOOLE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 5,409 | 1,090.8 | 59 | | | | 8 | 11 | 33 | 7 |
| TOTAL | | 5,409 | 1,090.8 | 59 | | | | 8 | 11 | 33 | 7 |
| **TREASURE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 4 | 1,202 | 1,414.3 | 17 | 1 | | | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| TOTAL | | 1,202 | 1,414.3 | 17 | 1 | | | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| **VALLEY COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 7,056 | 1,799.9 | 127 | 1 | | 1 | 7 | 21 | 80 | 17 |
| Glasgow | 12 | 5,064 | 4,186.4 | 212 | | | 1 | 4 | 7 | 184 | 16 |
| TOTAL | | 12,120 | 2,797.0 | 339 | 1 | | 2 | 11 | 28 | 264 | 33 |
| **WHEATLAND COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 2,404 | 6,198.0 | 149 | | 2 | 1 | 27 | 29 | 81 | 9 |
| **TOTAL** | | **2,404** | **6,198.0** | **149** | | **2** | **1** | **27** | **29** | **81** | **9** |

| AGENCY | MONTHS CONTRIBUTED | 1979 POPULATION ESTIMATE | CRIME RATE PER 100,000 | TOTAL OFFENSES | HOMICIDE | RAPE | ROBBERY | AGGRAVATED ASSAULT | BURGLARY | LARCENY/ THEFT | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **WIBAUX COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 1,603 | 124.8 | 2 | | | | | | | 2 |
| **TOTAL** | | **1,603** | **124.8** | **2** | | | | | | | **2** |
| **YELLOWSTONE COUNTY** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sheriff | 12 | 24,511 | 5,005.9 | 1,227 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 95 | 225 | 781 | 106 |
| Laurel | 12 | 5,538 | 4,333.7 | 240 | | | | 2 | 50 | 171 | 17 |
| Billings | 12 | 74,222 | 6,441.5 | 4,781 | 4 | 18 | 72 | 68 | 1,029 | 3,261 | 329 |
| **TOTAL** | | **104,271** | **5,992.1** | **6,248** | **6** | **29** | **79** | **165** | **1,304** | **4,213** | **452** |
| **GLACIER NATIONAL PARK** | A | | | **70** | | | | | **16** | **53** | **1** |
| **STATE TOTAL** | | **786,000** | **4,437.7** | **34,880** | **41** | **183** | **261** | **1,361** | **6,326** | **24,304** | **2,404** |

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